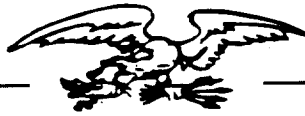


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The Honorable William E. Kennard  
Chairman, Federal Communications Commission  
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Washington, D.C. 20554

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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Dear Chairman Kennard:

I am enclosing a copy of a resolution adopted by the Washington Township Board of Trustees, urging the Federal Communications Commission "To restore approval for Low Power FM Radio Broadcasting".

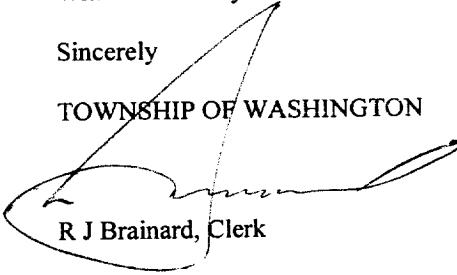
The Washington Township Board feels very strongly that allowing low power FM radio stations on the air would empower local broadcasters to serve their communities with a variety of new voices and services, including minority groups, the religious community, and other groups who are unable to pay the current license fees. It would also provide a forum for debate about important local issues. We believe these kinds of stations would strengthen community identity in our rural area.

The Washington Township Board supports RM-9242 and requests your consideration for adopting this rule on behalf of citizens throughout the State of Michigan and the country.

With thanks for your attention in this matter, we remain,

Sincerely

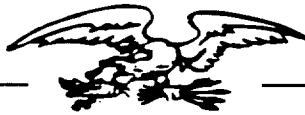
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### RESOLUTION TO URGE THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION (F.C.C.) TO RESTORE APPROVAL FOR LOW POWER FM RADIO BROADCASTING

Minutes of a regular meeting of the Township Board of the Township of Washington, County of Macomb, State of Michigan, held in the Township Municipal Building, 57900 Van Dyke, Washington, Michigan, on June 2, 1999, at 7:30 p.m. eastern daylight savings time.

**Present:** Gary R. Kirsh, Supervisor; R J Brainard, Clerk; Linda S. Verellen, Treasurer; Fred Blonde, Jack Dorrough, Michael Murphy, and Barry Sutherland, Trustees

**Absent:** None

The following preamble and resolution was offered by Member Verellen and supported by Member Kirsh:

**WHEREAS**, in 1978 the Federal Communications Commission (F.C.C.) ended its licensing of low power radio stations (Class D broadcasting licenses to stations of less than 100 watts) reducing overall the number of locally-based radio station in service to local communities. Since that rule change, other factors such as increased consolidation within the radio broadcast market has contributed to a significant reduction in the number of community responsive radio services; and

**WHEREAS**, Nationally, a grassroots movement has emerged for the purpose of advocating F.C.C. reinstatement of licensing of low power radio stations. Their efforts have resulted in a formal rule-making petition before the F.C.C., RM-9242, that would create opportunities for the return of locally owned and responsive FM radio stations for communities; and

**WHEREAS**, Re-legalization of low power radio stations would serve to increase local media presence and ownership, promote small business development and broadcast entrepreneurship, increase community choice and allow for communications services that are responsive to the needs of local communities;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, That Washington Township urges the Federal Communications Commission to restore approval for t low power FM radio broadcasting. The Washington Township Board joins the Michigan Senate (SR234), the Michigan House of Representatives (HR379) and the many grassroots organizations in seeking F.C.C. adoption of petition FM-9242 to restore low power FM radio broadcasting.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Federal Communications Commission.

**Ayes:** Members: Verellen, Kirsh, Blonde, Murphy, Sutherland, Dorrough, and Brainard

**Nays:** Members: None

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

TOWNSHIP OF WASHINGTON

  
R J Brainard, Clerk